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REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. From 20 January to 25 February 1951, the restricted Tiergarten area of Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets.

there. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] 18 rail-type rocket launchers were observed. (1)

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2. The Alte Grenadier Kaserne still quartered troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles seen at the installation [REDACTED] (2)

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3. The restricted area on Giambeck Lake was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Twenty-five officers and 140 EM were seen there on Red Army Day, 23 February. Motor vehicles seen in the area [REDACTED]

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4. The restricted area on Reuterstrasse was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia.

5. The Neue Infanterie Kaserne still quartered troops of a tank unit who wore red-bordered black epaulets. T-34 tanks [REDACTED] were seen in the barracks yard on 10 February. One colonel, three lieutenant colonels, about 100 other officers and about 1,000 troops assembled in the yard on Red Army Day. [REDACTED]

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6. The restricted Schlosskoppel area was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Truck [REDACTED] was seen leaving the area. [REDACTED]

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7. The restricted Schlossgarten area was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Three 37-mm AA guns covered with canvas were emplaced in the billeting area. (5) Twelve officers and 188 EM and, apparently coming from the restricted area on Kirschenallee, another 240 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were assembled in the Schlossgarten area on Red Army Day. Motor vehicles [redacted] were seen there.

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8. There were no changes in the occupation of the Infanterie Kaserne between 13 and 22 February. Almost all windows of the installation were lighted after sundown. A tank left the billeting area toward the training field on 17 February. Motor vehicles identified at the Infanterie Kaserne [redacted]

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Comments.

- (1) [redacted] observed rocket launchers in the restricted Tiergarten area in August 1950.

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[redacted] Since a rocket launcher battalion of a division is believed to have only eight rocket launchers, the statement [redacted] in the present report was probably exaggerated. The motor vehicle [redacted] reported from there did not belong to the battalion but to the unidentified field artillery regiment and the 90th Gds Engr Bn of the 9th Gds Tank Div.

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- (2) The Alte Grenadier Kaserne quarters the 234th Mort Regt, to which the motor vehicle [redacted] observed also belonged.

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- (3) All three medium tank regiments, the AAA regiment and several independent battalions of the 9th Gds Tank Div are believed to be stationed in the Infanterie Kaserne. In November 1950, [redacted]

[redacted] quartered about 3,000 troops, a figure which approximately equals the aggregate strength of the units carried there.

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[redacted] All motor vehicle [redacted] in the present report belonged to the units believed to be stationed there.

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- (4) [redacted] the restricted Schlosskoppel area is situated on the east side of Parkstrasse, directly southwest of the Schlosskoppel and east of the fork of the roads leading to Praelank and, along the eastern edge of the Schlosskoppel, to Grosser Buergersee.

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In the summer of 1949, a tank unit had been quartered there in 14 low wooden barracks buildings.

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[redacted] it is possible that

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a tank unit is still located there. [REDACTED]

- (5) There have been no indications that AAA troops are stationed in the restricted Schlossgarten area.

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